

City of Brockton

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CITY OF BROCKTON TRAFFIC COMMISSION AGENDA

Board or Committee		Traffic Commission	
Day & Date		Thursday, December 5 th , 2024- rescheduled to December 12 th , 2024	
Time of Meeting		6:00 p.m.	
Meeting Location:		Arnone School Theater 135 Belmont Street Brockton, MA 02301	
Traffic Commissioner Captain Mark Porcaro			Date: 12-9-2024

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Quorum
- 3. Reading or Waiving and acceptance of the October 24th, 2024.

OLD BUSINESS

1. MAPLE AVENUE

Requested by: Retired Fire Chief Kenneth Galligan

Request/Issue: To allow general thru traffic on Maple Avenue from Crescent Street to Main

Street westerly.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

Subcommittee visited this location, and although no formal recommendation is ready and we will be reaching out to various neighbors for their input, some possible ideas appear below:

a. Remove the DO NOT ENTER and BUSES ONLY signs at the southern end of Maple Avenue near where it turns westerly and allow for general thru traffic southerly and westerly toward Main Street.

- b. Make Maple Avenue from its southern most point where it turns westerly ONE WAY ONLY westerly to Main Street.
- c. Install a DO NOT ENTER sign on Maple Avenue where the pavement and the socalled "brick road" meet to prevent traffic from going east on Maple Avenue (road is not wide enough to support two-way traffic).

Note that we spoke with Tommy Williams of the Brockton Parking Authority as he made his rounds and he agreed with our general concept to allow general thru traffic on Maple Avenue westerly to Main Street.

VOTED: CONTINUE TO DECEMBER

2. PACKARD STREET

Requested by: Councilor Susan Nicastro on behalf of Kelly Chalas

Request/Issue: There has been a continuing problem with vehicles traveling the wrong way on Packard Street. Requesting additional signage such as DO NOT ENTER or WRONG WAY signs.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A. Replace the NO RIGHT TURN sign on Packard St. at Owens Ave. (southeast corner).
- B. Install ONE WAY signs on Pole #2 (near 12 Packard St.) and Pole #3 (near 16 Packard St.).
- C. Replace the DO NOT ENTER sign at Main St. at Packard St. (northeast corner).
- D. Install new DO NOT ENTER, ONE WAY, and STOP signs on a sign post at Main St. at Packard St. (southeast corner).
- E. Install a WRONG WAY sign facing to the west on Pole #2-30.

3. INTERSECTION OF SNELL AVENUE & HILLSIDE AVENUE

Requested by: Councilor Susan Nicastro on behalf of the residents in this neighborhood.

Request/Issue: The speed at which vehicles travel on these side roads is concerning. The

residents would like the Traffic Commission to consider making this intersection a four way stop.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A. Install a STOP sign with sign post and red reflective striping on Snell Ave. near Pole #5 for the northbound traffic
- B. Install a STOP sign with sign post and red reflective striping on Snell Ave. near Pole #6 for the southbound traffic.
- C. For pavement line painting, add STOP stencils and STOP bars to go with the two new STOP signs in recommendations "a & b."

4. MONSON STREET

Requested by: Wanda Traverss

Request/Issue: A neighbor keeps parking less than 1 foot from the stop sign at the corner of Monson & West Street causing a serious safety risk to people entering/exiting the street. I have almost been hit 3 times because traffic has to come into my lane to get around the SUV. Requesting a NO PARKING HERE TO CORNER sign.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A. Create a No Parking regulation on Monson St. 55 feet westerly to the West St. intersection (both sides).
- B. Install a NO PARKING HERE TO CORNER sign on Monson St. 55 feet in from West St. (northside of the road)

C. Install a NO PARKING CORNER TO HERE sign 55 feet in from West St. (southside of the road).

5. 765 SUMMER STREET

Requested by: Joanne Barrett

Request/Issue: Multiple cars go down the wrong way on a daily basis. There is a deaf child and lots of children walking home from school. They speed going down the wrong direction. Additional signs requested. Preferably lower to the ground. Also yellow reflective arrows.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A. For the existing ALL TRAFFIC BEAR RIGHT sign near 731 Summer St., install a new signpost with yellow reflective striping (for southbound traffic).
- B. Straighten the current signpost on Summer St. opposite Otto St. (eastside of the road) and add red reflective striping.
- C. Place an orange sand-filled plastic barrier(s) on Summer St. at Otto St. and affix a DO NOT ENTER sign to the barrier facing the southbound traffic. Add reflective striping to all sides of the barrier(s).
- D. Reposition the current DO NOT ENTER and ONE WAY signs and signpost closer to Pole #4 to be more in line with the new barrier(s).
- E. Install a flashing CURVE AHEAD sign next to Pole #4 to face the southbound Summer St. traffic.
- F. Recommend the DPW installs a brighter street light (current light is LED 46).
- G. For pavement line painting, add the "skips" on Summer St. where the southbound lane turns onto Otto St. westbound.

6. <u>403 MAIN STREET</u>

Requested by: Edson Fernandes/The Universal Church

Request/Issue: Multiple pedestrians crossing on Main Street. Requesting a Pedestrian Crossing sign, traffic lights and/or a crosswalk at this location.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Request a crosswalk engineering study.

7. WINTER/BONNEY STREETS

Requested by: Councilor John Lally

Request/Issue: Cars park on Bonney Street close to the corner making it difficult for vehicles to enter or exit the street safely. Requested "No Parking" signs on Bonney Street near the corner.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

- A. Create a No Parking regulation on Bonney St. 35 feet southerly to Winter St. (both sides).
- B. Install a NO PARKING HERE TO CORNER sign with signpost on Bonney St. 35 feet in from Winter St. (westside of the road)
- C. Install a NO PARKING CORNER TO HERE sign with signpost on Bonney St. 35 feet in from Winter St. (eastside of the road).

8. LISA DRIVE

Requested by: Councilor John Lally

Request/Issue: Requesting a review of Lisa Drive to make sure proper signage and traffic control measures are in place. Lisa Drive is a densely populated area with a lot of children, no sidewalks and a substantial volume of traffic.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A. Install a 30 MPH sign on Pole #24 (near 285 Lisa Dr.) for westbound traffic.
- B. Raise the existing 30 MPH sign on Pole #21 (near 260 Lisa Dr.) for westbound traffic.
- C. Install a 30 MPH sign on Pole #14 near (near 166 Lisa Dr.) for westbound traffic.
- D. Install a SLOW sign on Pole #10 (near 104 Lisa dr.) for westbound traffic.
- E. Install a 30 MPH sign with signpost and yellow reflective striping by the stone wall between 29 and 35 Lisa Dr. (for eastbound traffic).
- F. Remove the old and faded 30 MPH sign on Pole #4 (near 22 Lisa Dr.).
- G. Install a 30 MPH sign with signpost and yellow reflective striping between 205 and 211 Lisa Dr. (for eastbound traffic).

9. N. QUINCY AND N. CARY STREETS

Requested by: Councilor John Lally, Ward 6

Request/Issue: To re-examine this location for possible improvements.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A. Install a bi-directional chevron warning sign at the N. Quincy and N. Cary Sts. split (in front of the Massasoit C.C. sign) for N. Quincy St. southbound traffic.
- B. Lower the existing chevron warning sign in front of 466 N. Quincy St. for the southbound traffic.
- C. Realign the flashing CURVE AHEAD sign by 466 N. Quincy St. for northbound traffic.
- D. Install a chevron warning sign (pointing to the left/east)on Pole #86 (near 470 N. Quincy St.) for southbound traffic.

10. N.CARY STREET (BETWEEN AMARK ROAD AND TOBY ROAD)

Requested by: Councilor John Lally

Request/Issue: Councilor Lally is requesting an engineering study of this area due to ongoing traffic concerns. (Traffic Commission members please see attached CDM Smith Engineering Study)

11.409 WEST ELM STREET

Requested by: Camilla Hoffman

Request/Issue: I live on the corner of West Elm Street and Moraine Street. We have had at least one (1) accident per week. People drive too fast and reckless. I have had a car drive up on my lawn. I am afraid to let my children play outside. Requesting Traffic lights at this location between West Elm Street and Moraine Street. (Traffic Commission members please see attached CDM Smith Engineering Study)

NEW BUSINESS

12.UNION STREET

Requested by: Councilor Susan Nicastro, Ward 4

Issue/Request: Union Street is a one-way street, running eastbound from Main Street to Montello Street. Union Street has both residential and school properties. There is a complaint of one-way/wrong way violations occurring there. Request the Traffic Commission review the current signs, particularly at the Montello Street end, to see if better signs may help the problem. Additionally, any other relief the Traffic Commission may deem appropriate. (Traffic Commission members please see attached SeeClickFix)

13. 1690 MAIN STREET (NEW HEIGHTS CHARTER SCHOOL)

Requested by: Matthew Andrade

Request/Issue: Students who attend New Heights Charter school get off the BAT bus and cross the busy street without any crosswalk or signal present. This poses a safety issue. Requesting a crosswalk at this location.

14. BELMONT AVENUE AND WEST ELM STREET

Requested by: Wayde Francis

Request/Issue: Religiously there are at least 3-4 car crashes at this location per week. It is crazy how the city hasn't figured this out yet. The Traffic Commission came out and thought the hedges from the neighbor's house was the problem but it's not. It needs a sign.

15. HILLSIDE AVENUE BETWEEN SUMMER ST. AND CONCORD ST.

Requested by: Officer Derek Salamone, Brockton Police Department

Request/Issue: Many residents have complained of speeding on Hillside Avenue between Summer Street and Concord Street. Most of the speeding is westbound on Hillside Avenue. There are no speed limit signs in that direction. Would like to post one heading westbound.

16. INTERSECTION OF GROVE STREET AND LAWRENCE STREET

Requested by: Councilor Jeffrey Thompson

Request/Issue: Recently a young girl was struck by a motor vehicle at this intersection. Requesting that the Traffic Commission take a look at the intersection for additional safety measures.